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Photo by SrA Chrissy Sczepanski

From air to sea ...

Senior Airman Leshandra Battle, 9th Aerospace Expeditionary Task Force, embraces her brother Saturday, Seaman Apprentice Adrian Pittman, who's stationed on the USS Bataan in the Mediterranean Sea. Battle and Pittman were reunited briefly after a two-hour helicopter flight to the carrier by the U.S. Navy's Black Stallions HC-4 Heavy Combat Logistical Support Squadron-Four from Sigonella, Sicily. Pittman, who was completely surprised by his sister's visit, said he hadn't seen her since Easter and was very glad for the visit. The two spent a few moments exchanging conversation before Battle boarded the helicopter to head back to Cairo West Air Base.

Make it visible

By Col. J.C. Dodson Commander, 75th AEG

Once again, this week I stand tall because of your accomplishments and your continued flexibility to meet the mission. The complexity of this last week has been extremely demanding as we've flown aircraft, supported an increasing base population and played host to many international visitors coming to see how our operation works. As I mentioned at our commander's call -- mental toughness will determine the success of

our remaining days — all of us must stay mentally ready to complete the entire mission. Some of our colleagues have completed their roles; the 22nd Expeditionary Air Refueling Squadron, 4th Expeditionary Fighter Squadron and 75th Expeditionary Support Squadron-Beni Suef depart in the next few days and have done an incredible job at Beni Suef Air Base -- we wish them well.

Robert Bresson once wrote "make visible what, without you, might never have been seen." At this point in our opera-

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Briefs

Commander's Kudos

Congratulations to the people who received a commander's coin from Col. J.C. Dodson, 75th Aerospace Expeditionary Group commander, this week for outstanding performance.

A1C **Aaron Schanz**, 822nd Expeditionary Security Forces Squadron

SrA. **James Pender**, 822nd ESFS SSgt. **David Santi**, 822nd ESFS

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